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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination and the calculation of filing fees, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, immediately following the title appearing on lines 1 and 2, insert the following:

--This disclosure is based upon, and claims priority from French Application No.

98/13938, filed on November 5, 1998 and International Application No. PCT/FR99/02608 filed October 27, 1999, which was published on May 18, 2000 in a language other than English, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

**Background of the Invention**